CELEBRATING 200 YEARS OF THE CONNECTICUT BUSINESS AND IN-DUSTRY ASSOCIATION

HON. ELIZABETH H. ESTY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 2, 2015

Ms. ESTY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate 200 years of the Connecticut Business and Industry Association (CBIA).

Today, we recognize CBIA for serving as an advocate for businesses in Connecticut. For two hundred years, CBIA has tirelessly worked to promote policies and provide services to support businesses—both large and small—in our state. Today, CBIA continues to act as a strong advocate for local businesses in the 5th Congressional District and throughout Connecticut.

The State of Connecticut boasts a highlyskilled workforce, a strong tradition of manufacturing, and good old-fashioned Yankee ingenuity. These qualities make Connecticut an ideal place for innovation and entrepreneur-

Joe Brennan began his tenure at CBIA in 1988 as a staff attorney. Since 2014, he has led the organization as its President and CEO. Throughout his time at CBIA, he has maintained his focus on CBIA members, and he continues to strive to promote a sound business environment and improve workforce readiness in Connecticut.

Congratulations to Mr. Brennan, the Board of Directors, staff, and members of the Connecticut Business and Industry Association on the organization's 200th anniversary. I look forward to many more years of your continued dedication to our state.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MICHIGAN ADVOCACY PROGRAM

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, November 2, 2015

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Michigan Advocacy Program on their 50th anniversary.

Since 1965, the Michigan Advocacy Program has worked to make legal representation and aid accessible to low income individuals across Michigan. Every single day they are fighting to keep people in their homes, pushing back against unfair workforce practices, and working to ensure the safety for women and children across the state of Michigan. Each year they provide free representation for over ten thousand low income individuals that would not otherwise have been able to afford a lawyer and could have been denied access to the courts.

Through their focus and dedication, the Michigan Advocacy Program has given a voice to low income families by providing free civil legal representation. Over the past 50 years, we have had the pleasure of watching the Michigan Advocacy Program grow from the Legal Services of South Central Michigan into a flourishing organization that works to support families across the state of Michigan.

Equal access to our system of justice and the judicial system is a key tenet of our democracy. Courts and the legal system should not be reserved only for those who have the most resources. The Michigan Advocacy Program has helped promote fairness and equality in our society by increasing access to legal aid and representation to low income individuals across Michigan. They have an incredibly successful track record and years of hard work is certainly worthy of our praise.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today to honor the Michigan Advocacy Program on their 50th Anniversary and wish them many more years of success.

THE CRYSTAL GLOBE AWARDS

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 2, 2015

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with sincere admiration that I recognize the Asian American Medical Association, which will host its 39th Annual Gala on Saturday, November 14, 2015, at Avalon Manor in Hobart, Indiana. Each year, the Asian American Medical Association pays tribute to prominent, outstanding citizens and organizations for their contributions to the community. In recognition of their efforts, these honorees are awarded the prestigious Crystal Globe Award.

The Asian American Medical Association has been a tremendous asset to Northwest Indiana. Its members have selflessly dedicated themselves to providing quality medical services to the residents of Northwest Indiana and have served their communities through many cultural, scholastic, and charitable endeavors.

At this year's Annual Gala, the Asian American Medical Association will present the Crystal Globe Award to one of Northwest Indiana's finest citizens and my dear friend, David Bochnowski. Dave serves as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Northwest Indiana Bancorp, and its operating subsidiary, Peoples Bank. For his exceptional leadership and his outstanding contributions to his country, state, and community, he is worthy of the highest praise.

Dave received his undergraduate and law degrees from Georgetown University and earned a master's degree from Howard University. Additionally, he is a Vietnam veteran and earned the Bronze Star during his time of service to our country. Prior to his banking career, Dave served as a Special Assistant to Senator Birch Bayh and was a law clerk for United States District Court Judge James Noland.

Throughout his illustrious career, Bochnowski has been a leader in state and national banking associations, testifying before Congress, the Federal Reserve, and the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) on issues related to banking and small business. Since 1981, Dave has been the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Northwest Indiana Bancorp and Peoples Bank, which is headquartered in Munster, Indiana, and operates sixteen locations throughout Lake and Porter counties. Under Dave's leadership, Peoples Bank continues to provide exceptional customer service, following the same principles his grandfather implemented when he founded the bank in 1910. Peoples Bank has consistently thrived and has been listed among the top 200 community banks in America by US Banker magazine, from 2007 through 2015, based on a key banking industry performance indicator.

Additionally, Mr. Bochnowski has selflessly served his community through his involvement in various organizations and civic activities, including the Legacy Foundation, Quality of Life Council, Purdue University Technology Center, Gary YWCA, and the Community Hospital System. He also serves as a member of One Region and the SEC Advisory Committee for Small and Emerging Companies and is a past board member of the Gary/Chicago International Airport Authority. Due to his outstanding leadership and dedication to his community, in 2001, Dave was appointed Chairman of the Indiana Department of Financial Institutions by Governor Frank O'Bannon. In addition, he has been inducted into the Northwest Indiana Business and Industry Hall of Fame and is a recipient of the Sagamore of the Wabash, Indiana's highest citizen award.

Dave's excellence in his field and commitment to charitable endeavors throughout the community is exceeded only by his devotion to his amazing family. Dave and his wife, Ann, have four beloved children: Benjamin, Julia, James, and John.

My father has always stressed that it takes a strong man to be a gentleman. David Bochnowski is that gentleman. A gentleman whose strength of character, wish to leave the world improved, and sense of service, are traits we should all attempt to emulate. I've been blessed to have Dave as a friend, but we have all been blessed to know him. To quote Homer: "He [is] a friend to man."

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in commending the members of the Asian American Medical Association, as well as this year's Crystal Globe Award recipient, David Bochnowski, for their outstanding contributions to their community and beyond. Their unwavering commitment to improving the quality of life for the people of Northwest Indiana is truly inspirational, and I am proud to serve as their representative in Washington, D.C.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MAJOR GENERAL EDWARD W. TONINI

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 2, 2015

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the service of a very distinguished Kentuckian, Major General Edward Tonini. He currently serves the Commonwealth as the 51st Adjutant General and retires in 2015.

General Tonini's career began as an enlisted member of the 123rd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing of the Kentucky Air National Guard. He received a direct commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Guard in 1970. He earned many awards and decorations for his service in the Air National Guard, including the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), and an Air Force Commendation Medal. He rose through the ranks to become Chief of Staff of the Kentucky Air National Guard. In 2001, he went on

to serve as Director of Your Guardians of Freedom at the Pentagon and later served at the Air Force Personnel Center in Denver, Colorado.

Tonini was appointed by Governor Steve Beshear as Adjutant General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky on December 11, 2007. As the Adjutant General, he serves as the Commanding General of both the Kentucky Army and Air National Guard and as the Executive Director of the Department of Military Affairs. He is responsible for Federal and State missions, including responding in times of emergency. He serves on the Governor's cabinet and is the Governor's advisor on all military matters.

General Tonini has served the Commonwealth of Kentucky and this nation with honor. He is to be commended on his long and distinguished military career and his life of service and sacrifice. Major General Edward Tonini is an outstanding American, a true patriot, and a hero to us all. Along with a grateful nation, I honor him for his service.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA'S BE-LOVED DAVE DAUGHTRY

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, November 2, 2015

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound sadness that I rise to honor the life and legacy of Northwest Florida's beloved Dave Daughtry. For over thirty years, Dave dedicated his broadcasting career to serving the people of the Gulf Coast community, and Northwest Florida mourns his passing.

From what began at a small radio station in Andalusia, Alabama, Dave's successful broadcasting career and love of writing would take him to Huntsville, Alabama; Nashville, Knoxville, and Memphis, Tennessee; and Washington, D.C. before making his way to Pensacola, Florida—a community that would welcome him with open arms, and remain his home until his passing.

Dave quickly became a known figure over the local television airwaves as news anchor at WEAR-TV in Pensacola and then as reporter-anchor with WALA-TV in Mobile, Alabama. According to Denise, his bride of 26 years, radio was what he loved most, however, and it is radio where he dedicated his career for the last 14 years of his life. This love was demonstrated by the fact that he would arrive at 5 a.m. every morning to host the WEBY-AM morning show, "Wake up with Dave."

To many, Dave will be remembered and appreciated for his company and entertainment on their morning commute; however, to those closest to him, including his dogs Peaches and Pal, Dave will be remembered as a loving husband, father, and grandfather and will greatly be missed.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of my constituents in Florida's First Congressional District, I am proud to honor and commemorate the life and legacy of Dave Daughtry. Vicki and I offer his entire family, especially his wife, Denise; children, Bonnie, Michael, and Patrick; seven grandchildren, Lindsey, Shannon, Evan, Patrick, Amanda, Shelby, and Benjamin; and the

entire Daughtry family our deepest condolences and prayers. May God continue to bless them all during this difficult time.

TRIBUTE TO THOMAS HARR

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, November 2, 2015

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise to salute my constituent, Thomas E. Harr, as he steps down as Executive Director of Family Services, Inc.

Under Mr. Harr's visionary leadership, FSI, which is based in Gaithersburg, Maryland, has developed into an agency that cares for vulnerable clients from cradle to grave, becoming, in essence, a caring, secondary family—giving true meaning to the organization's name. FSI provides high-quality service to foster health and well-being in the home, school and community as it serves more than 25,000 residents in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. Mr. Harr has overseen this organization through a period of extraordinary growth, enabling the organization to be an effective safety net for the most vulnerable members of our community.

Mr. Harr's tenure has been distinguished by his tireless efforts to make Family Services treat the "whole" person throughout their entire lifespan. His vision encompasses a holistic philosophy of human services. Long an opponent of fragmented silos of care and the lack of coordination between them, he encouraged his mental health clinic to integrate mental health, substance abuse and primary care services, including the treatment and management of co-occurring conditions. He spearheaded the partnership of his organization with a primary care provider and a reproductive health specialty clinic to address the thenunappreciated somatic consequences of having a mental illness. He reached out to another historic provider, GUIDE, which later merged with Family Services and brought with it an impressive array of youth services. The Family Services of today encompasses 31 programs and touches every sector of vulnerable residents in Montgomery County. Its excellence has recently been recognized by its receiving the first CARF accreditation in the County.

Under Mr. Harr's leadership, FSI has seen the addition of a new child development center in 2000, an outpatient mental health clinic in 2001, a family multi-service center in 2002, and a hospital neonatal screening program in 2004, to name a few major projects. In addition, Mr. Harr oversaw the doubling of the agency's Head Start program, the opening of an additional child care center in another region of the County, and the creation of one of the County's first integrated care clinics.

Mr. Harr has also been deeply involved with the needs of our vulnerable elderly population. Under his leadership, FSI opened a medical day program, an outpatient substance abuse clinic, an adolescent recovery club house, expansion of the adult psychiatric day program, and a school mental health and social service program. And, finally, he facilitated FSI's assuming a major role in the County's implementation of the Affordable Care Act, accepting a contract to run our region's health insurance navigator program.

Prior to joining FSI, Mr. Harr served as the Chief of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in Montgomery County's Department of Health and Human Services and Deputy Director of the Department of Addiction, Victim and Mental Health Services. Mr. Harr also had distinguished service in the United States Air Force.

Mr. Speaker, Thom Harr is an extraordinary and exceptional leader whose pioneering spirit, passion and drive led him to fight for those who are unable to fight for themselves. His influence in our region is profound. I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our deepest gratitude and appreciation to him for his outstanding service to our community. He has truly made a difference in the lives of countless individuals and families, and his impact will be felt, with grateful appreciation, for many years to come.

SUGAR LAND MIDDLE SCHOOL TURNS 40

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 2, 2015

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Sugar Land Middle School in my hometown of Sugar Land, Texas on its 40th anniversary.

This year marks 40 years of educating, learning, and helping our children succeed. A lot has changed since this school opened its doors in 1975 but one thing has remained the same—Sugar Land Middle School's commitment to excellence. It has remained a great place for our future leaders to learn and grow. Thank you to the many teachers and faculty members who've worked so hard to make SLMS great throughout the years. Without a dedicated team, our Sugar Land Titans wouldn't be thriving like they are today.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations to Sugar Land Middle School on 40 successful years of educating our leaders of tomorrow.

HONORING ED SARFATY

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, $November\ 2$, 2015

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Edmond Sarfaty, a dear friend who served with my late father Bernard Deutch during World War II. Their 84th Infantry Division fought valiantly at the Battle of the Bulge, where Mr. Sarfaty was wounded three times.

I am privileged to represent a district that is home to a large number of World War II veterans, veterans to whom I am tremendously grateful for their heroic service. The legacy of service and self-sacrifice from this generation of Americans, exemplified by Mr. Sarfaty and so many others, is humbling. Our country owes all servicemembers an enormous debt of gratitude. It is also vital that we recognize and remember the outstanding sacrifices of their families. Their invaluable support is a gift to our Nation, and one that is too often overlooked.